

USE OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Policy

An officer shall use the emergency equipment provided by the Department when:

1. in pursuit of a suspect vehicle;
2. the officer is answering an emergency call;
3. when it is necessary to transport a person for medical treatment.

An officer may use red lights when:

1. conducting a roadblock;
2. the officer feels use will enhance the safety factor of a situation.

Bear in mind, the officer is not relieved of his responsibility for the safety of persons and the protection of property simply because he is operating emergency equipment. In all cases involving emergency driving, the officer shall consider such factors as location, road conditions, time of day, livestock, etc.